

**BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN (BMA)  
MINUTES FOR**

**FEBRUARY 28, 2022**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Tullahoma, Coffee and Franklin Counties, Tennessee assembled at the Municipal Building, in Tullahoma, for a rescheduled meeting on Monday, February 28, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Ray Knowis presiding and the following named members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen: Rupa Blackwell, Jimmy Blanks and Robin Dunn. Aldermen Amacher, Berry and McGee were absent. There were four (4) Board Members were present.

Jennifer Moody, City Administrator; Stephen M. Worsham, City Attorney and Susan Wilson, Acting City Recorder were present at the meeting.

Mayor Knowis called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was said by Rev. Jim Norman and he led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acting City Recorder, Susan Wilson, called the roll.

**COMMENDATIONS AND CERTIFICATES:**

Mayor Ray Knowis recognized the Honorary Alderman Mr. Ms. Kaylee Smith. She is a senior at the Tullahoma High School (THS). Ms. Smith is involved with the following organizations at the school and community: a lifeguard at DW Wilson Community Center; President of the THS National Honor Society; Senior class Vice-President and a THS soccer team member. She plans on attending the University of Alabama to further her academic studies.

**PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

Mayor Ray Knowis announced that the Tullahoma Rotary clubs (Noon and Sunrise) are celebrating their centennial existence. He presented a proclamation to Mr. Jack Thoma.

Mayor Ray Knowis presented the THS Football team with some new signage showing their 2021 4A State Football Champion status. Several teammates and coaches were present to receive the signs.

Mayor Knowis read a certificate of recognition regarding Mr. Thom Robinson's retirement as the director of the Tullahoma Economic Development Corporation. He then presented the certificate to Mr. Robinson. The City Administrator, Ms. Jennifer Moody, said several kind things about Thom and presented him with a plaque.

Mayor Ray Knowis recognized the Black History Month poster winners. First place went to Lillie Davis and Mason Oakes. Second place went to Karley Butler and third place went to Catherine Heaton. The Mayor then presented them with their certificates

The agenda was presented for approval, seeing no objections the agenda was approved as presented.

#### **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:**

Ms. Linda Johnson, 703 Davis Street, sated she would like to see the city help raise money for the people who live in Ukraine.

#### **REPORTS FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN**

**ALDERMAN MCGEE** - Ms. McGee was absent.

**ALDERMAN BERRY** - Mr. Berry was absent.

**ALDERMAN AMACHER** - Ms. Amacher was absent.

**HONORARY ALDERMAN KAYLEE SMITH** – Ms. Smith said the THS is having their 4<sup>th</sup> campus cleanup day and they plan to work on the high school landscaping. The National Honor society will be having a fundraiser pancake breakfast soon.

**ALDERMAN BLACKWELL** - Ms. Blackwell said she sent out an email to the downtown business owners updating them on certain events and then asked them a few questions concerning their needs. She attended a School Board meeting.

**ALDERMAN DUNN** - Ms. Dunn said the next Tree Board meeting will be March 1, 2022, at 11:00 am. On March 7, 2022, there will be a “Go Green” meeting. There are tickets still available for the Ted-X Tullahoma event that will be held on March 12, 2022.

**MAYOR PRO TEM BLANKS** - Dr. Blanks welcomed the Mayor back. He stated he had attended a Tullahoma Utility Authority meeting, but he was unable to attend the Arts Council meeting last week. Alderman Blanks said, “Shop Tullahoma”.

**MAYOR RAY KNOWIS** - Mr. Knowis reported on the absence of the three aldermen. He said both Aldermen Berry and Amacher had deaths in their family and Alderman McGee had delays in her air travel plans. He commented on his cardiac arrest and how well he was taken care of immediately and this response saved his life. He said he is doing well.

**CITY ATTORNEY** - Mr. Stephen M. Worsham stated he is working on several items for the City. He has filed the 2020 delinquent tax suits. He said the Tullahoma Noon Rotary Club intends to donate \$15,000 towards the downtown planting program.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR** – Ms. Jennifer Moody reported that she attended a Coffee County Joint Industrial Board meeting. There was a discussion regarding the consolidation of both health departments into one location. There was also a discussion regarding a Coffee County TCAP facility being located at the Joint Industrial Park. She reminded everyone there is a public survey out regarding the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**ITEM NO. 22-25– MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 14, 2022, REGULAR MEETING.**

**ITEM NO. 22-26 – ADOPT THE FY 2022 BUDGET ADOPTION SCHEDULE.**

**ITEM NO. 22-27 - RENEWAL OF TWO-YEAR FACILITY USE AGREEMENTS WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS FOR USE OF TULLAHOMA’S COMMUNITY CENTERS AS TEMPORARY EMERGENCY SHELTERS IN THE EVENT OF A LOCAL DISASTER.**

**ITEM NO. 22-28 – APPROVE AN APPLICATION TO THE SCOTTS FIELD REFURBISHMENT GRANT FOR AN AWARD UP TO \$50,000, WITH NO REQUIRED LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS, TO SUPPORT TULLAHOMA PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.**

**ITEM NO. 22-29 – APPROVE A LIST OF CITY PROPERTY TO BE DECLARED SURPLUS.**

Mayor Ray Knowis read the captions for the items on the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Alderman Blackwell and seconded by Alderman Dunn to approve the items listed above on the consent agenda.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: - NONE -**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 1572 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 (BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMAN) OF TITLE 1 (GENERAL ADMINISTRATION) OF THE TULLAHOMA MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE THAT THE MAYOR, AT HIS DISCRETION, MAY ESTABLISH AND APPOINT A POLICY COMMITTEE AND AN INTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN,** for approval on the first of two readings.

Mayor Ray Knowis read the caption for Ordinance No. 1572.

City Administrator, Ms. Jennifer Moody, gave an explanation.

A motion was made by Alderman Dunn and was seconded by Alderman Blackwell to approve Ordinance No. 1572 on the first of two readings.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1573 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE TO AMEND SECTION 303 (NOISE CONTROL, GENERALLY) OF TITLE 11 (MUNICIPAL OFFENSES) TO ADD A PROHIBITION AGAINST LOUD ENGINE BRAKING AS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT A,** for approval on the first of two readings.

Mayor Ray Knowis read the caption for Ordinance No. 1573.

City Administrator, Ms. Jennifer Moody, gave an explanation.

A motion was made by Alderman Dunn and was seconded by Alderman Blanks to approve Ordinance No. 1573 on the first of two readings.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

**ITEM NO. 22-30 – CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CD STAMPS BLOCK REPAIR AND PAINTING BID FROM ALLIED CONTRACTORS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,699, WITH AN ADD ALTERNATE COST OF \$2,500 TO PRESSURE WASH THE ENTIRE EXTERIOR OF THE BUILDING**

Mayor Ray Knowis read the caption for Agenda Item No. 22-30.

City Administrator, Ms. Jennifer Moody, gave an explanation.

A motion was made by Alderman Blanks and was seconded by Alderman Blackwell to approve the bid amount of \$25,699 as well as the \$2,500 add alternate to complete phase one of the CD Stamps Community Center repair project.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen at this time, the Board Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

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**CITY RECORDER**

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**MAYOR**